

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. TANCREDI. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 6 o'clock and 58 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, May 19, 2003, at 12:30 p.m., for morning hour debates.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,
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Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

2226. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Raisin Produced from Grapes Grown in California; Final Free and Reserve Percentages for 2002-03 Crop Natural (Sun-Dried) Seedless and Zante Currant Raisins [Docket No. FV03-989-4 IFR] received April 21, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2227. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Sweet Cherries Grown in Designated Counties in Washington; Established of Procedures to Allow the Grading or Packing of Sweet Cherries Outside the Production Area [Docket No. FV02-923-1 IFR] received April 21, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2228. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Dried Prunes Produced in California; Revising the Regulations Concerning Compensation Rates for Handlers' Services Performed Regarding Reserve Prunes Covered Under the California Dried Prune Marketing Order [Docket No. FV02-993-2 FR] received April 21, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2229. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Nectarines and Peaches Grown in California; Revision of Handling Requirements for Fresh Nectarines and Peaches [Docket No. FV03-916-2 IFR] received April 21, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2230. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Olives Grown in California; Increased Assessment Rate [Docket No. FV03-932-1 FR] received May 7, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2231. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Grapes Grown in a Designated Area of Southeastern California; Establishment of Safeguards and Procedures for Suspension of Packing Holidays [Docket No. FV03-925-2 IFR] received May 7, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2232. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, PACA Branch, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act (PACA): Amending

Regulations to Extend PACA Coverage to Fresh and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables that are Coated or Battered [Docket No. FV02-369] (RIN: 0581-AC21) received May 7, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2233. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Winter Pears Grown in Oregon and Washington; Order Amending Marketing Order No. 927 [Docket No. FV00-927-3] received May 7, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2234. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Exotic Newcastle Disease; Additions to Quarantined Area [Docket No. 02-117-5] received April 21, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2235. A letter from the Chairman, National Endowment for the Arts and Member Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities, National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities' twenty-seventh annual report on the Arts and Artifacts Indemnity Program for Fiscal Year 2002, pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 959(c); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

2236. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Annual Report on the Developmental Disabilities Programs for Fiscal Year 2000, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 15005 Public Law 106—402, section 105; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2237. A letter from the General Counsel, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Metal-Cored Candlewicks Containing Lead and Candles with such Wicks—received May 9, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2238. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Grants to States for Operation of Qualified High Risk Pools [CMS-2179-FC] (RIN: 0938-AM42) received May 1, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2239. A letter from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Rules and Regulations Under the Textile Fiber Products Identification Act—received February 4, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2240. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Availability of Official Records (RIN: 3150-AC07) received April 16, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2241. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification that effective March 23, 2003 a 15% danger pay allowance has been established for Jordan, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5928; to the Committee on International Relations.

2242. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report concerning Cuban migration policies; to the Committee on International Relations.

2243. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting a letter regarding the Yucca Mountain for the development of a geologic repository for spent nuclear fuel and high level radioactive waste; to the Committee on Government Reform.

2244. A letter from the Secretary, Department of State, transmitting the Department's FY 2004 Performance Plan; to the Committee on Government Reform.

2245. A letter from the Chairman, Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting a report entitled, "Help Wanted: A Review of Federal Vacancy Announcements," pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 1204(a)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform.

2246. A letter from the Director, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting the Annual Program Performance Report for FY 2002; to the Committee on Government Reform.

2247. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule—Application Procedures [WO-850-1820-XZ-24-1A] (RIN: 1004-AD34) received April 16, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

2248. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule—Fire-Suppression Systems and Voyage Planning for Towing Vessels [USCG-2000-6931] (RIN: 1625-AA60 [Formerly RIN: 2115-AF53]) received May 5, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2249. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule—Safety Zone; Mission Creek Waterway, China Basin, San Francisco Bay, California [COTP San Francisco Bay 03-004] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received May 9, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2250. A letter from the Chief Counsel, St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Tariff of Tolls [Docket No. SLSDC 2003-14687] (RIN: 2135-AA17) received April 29, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2251. A letter from the Attorney, RSPA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Hazardous Materials: Enhancing Hazardous Materials Transportation Security [Docket No. RSPA-03-14982 (HM-232C)] (RIN: 2137-AD79) received May 5, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2252. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Bureau of the Public Debt, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule—Regulations Governing Treasury Securities, New Treasury Direct System—received May 5, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2253. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Child Support Enforcement Program; State Plan Approval and Grant Procedures, State Plan Requirements, Standards for Program Operations, Federal Financial Participation, Computerized Support Enforcement Systems (RIN: 0970-AB81) received May 9, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2254. A letter from the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, transmitting a report on the proposed free trade agreement between the United States and the Republic of Singapore, pursuant to Section 2104 (e) of the Trade Act of 2002 and Section 135 (e) of the Trade Act of 1974; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2255. A letter from the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the

President, transmitting a report on the proposed free trade agreement between the United States and the Republic of Chile, pursuant to Section 2104 (e) of the Trade Act of 2002 and Section 135 (e) of the Trade Act of 1974; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2256. A letter from the Regulations Officer, Office of Regulations, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Claimant Identification Pilot Projects [Regulations No. 4 and 16] (RIN: 0960-AF79) received May 9, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2257. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare Management, Department of Health and Medicaid Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Medicare Program; Notice of Ambulance Fee Schedule in Accordance with Federal District Court Order [CMS-1256-N] (RIN: 0938-AM60) received April 16, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. SENSENBRENNER: Committee on the Judiciary, H. Res. 180. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of "National Correctional Officers and Employees Week" and honoring the service of correctional officers and employees (Rept. 108-101). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. SENSENBRENNER: Committee on the Judiciary H.R. 982. A bill to clarify the tax treatment of bonds and other obligations issued by the Government of American Samoa (Rept. 108-102, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. SENSENBRENNER: Committee on the Judiciary, H.R. 1437. A bill to improve the United States Code (Rept. 108-103). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. COX: Select Committee on Homeland Security, H.R. 1416. A bill to make technical corrections to the Homeland Security Act of 2002; with an amendment (Rept. 108-104). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. LANTOS (for himself, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. HOFFEL, Mr. SCHIFF, and Mr. ACKERMAN):

H.R. 2112. A bill to provide support for North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) peacekeeping within Iraq; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. TERRY (for himself, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. GRAVES, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. SANDERS, and Mr. TOWNS):

H.R. 2113. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for certain energy efficient property placed in service or installed in an existing principal residence or property used by businesses; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BURGESS (for himself and Mr. SCOTT of Georgia):

H.R. 2114. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand medical savings

accounts and to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide for medical freedom accounts under the Medicaid and State children's health insurance programs; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. YOUNG of Alaska (for himself, Mr. MICA, Mr. OBERSTAR, and Mr. DEFAZIO):

H.R. 2115. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs for the Federal Aviation Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. CARSON of Oklahoma:

H.R. 2116. A bill to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to provide relocation and other assistance for residents at the Tar Creek Superfund site; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. STARK:

H.R. 2117. A bill to amend the Federal National Mortgage Association Charter Act and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Act to remove certain competitive advantages granted to the housing-related government-sponsored enterprises relative to other secondary mortgage market enterprises, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. HYDE (for himself and Mr. CONYERS):

H.R. 2118. A bill to increase the annual salaries of justices and judges of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BALLANCE:

H.R. 2119. A bill to provide for the use by the State of North Carolina of Federal lands, improvements, equipment, and resource materials at the Oxford Research Station in Granville County, North Carolina; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. KANJORSKI, Mr. LEACH, Mr. BAKER, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. SHERMAN, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. SHAYS, Mrs. BIGGERT, Ms. HART, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. NEY, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. EMANUEL, and Mr. ISRAEL):

H.R. 2120. A bill to revise the banking and bankruptcy insolvency laws with respect to the termination and netting of financial contracts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. TIAHRT (for himself, Mr. RYUN of Kansas, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, and Mr. MOORE):

H.R. 2121. A bill to amend the Eisenhower Exchange Fellowship Act of 1990 to authorize additional appropriations for the Eisenhower Exchange Fellowship Program Trust Fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. TAUZIN (for himself, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. COX, Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. BILIRAKIS,

Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. UPTON, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. SHAD-EGG, Mr. ISSA, Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida, and Ms. ESHOO):

H.R. 2122. A bill to enhance research, development, procurement, and use of biomedical countermeasures to respond to public health threats affecting national security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Government Reform, and Homeland Security (Select), for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mrs. CAPPS (for herself, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. HONDA, Mr. BEREUTER, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. LEE, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. LANTOS, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ of California, and Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas):

H.R. 2123. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act concerning water pollution resulting from discharges of perchlorate; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CARDOZA:

H.R. 2124. A bill to establish a Foster Care Reform Commission to study the foster care crisis in the United States; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. DELAURO (for herself, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. FORD, Mr. PLATTS, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. FROST, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. OLVER, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Ms. LEE, Mr. McNULTY, Ms. NORTON, Mr. CASE, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. CLAY, Mr. ACEVEDO-VILA, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. KUCINICH, and Mr. FARR):

H.R. 2125. A bill to amend the National and Community Service Act of 1990 to create the Rite of Passage Community Service Program; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. EDWARDS (for himself, Mr. JENKINS, Mr. RAHALL, and Mr. HOBSON):

H.R. 2126. A bill to recognize the importance of the Veterans' Administration Medical School Assistance and Health Manpower Training Act of 1972 in addressing shortfalls in the number of physicians and other health care professionals employed in the health care system of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to reauthorize the program of grants to medical schools affiliated with the Department, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. EMANUEL (for himself, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. FROST, Mr. LANTOS, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. DEFAZIO, Ms. LEE, and Mr. SMITH of Washington):